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(U) CALIFORNIA

(U) Dixon – Two Men Indicted For Bomb Plot

(U) Two Solano County men have been indicted by a federal grand jury in Sacramento for allegedly conspiring to bomb a home in Suisun City last month. The four-count indictment charges 33-year-old Thomas Wayne Capenhurst of Dixon, and 20-year-old Robert Lee McGraw of Fairfield with conspiracy, malicious use of explosive materials and using a destructive device during a crime of violence, according to a US Attorney's Office news release. McGraw also is charged with possessing an unregistered destructive device. Capenhurst allegedly offered to pay McGraw and another man \$10,000 each to place pipe bombs at his brother's house in Suisun City. Capenhurst is accused of giving McGraw three homemade pipe bombs and directing him to "try to knock the house down," the news release said.

SOURCE: 15 March 2018, [Sacramento Bee](#)

(U) Martinez – School Cancels Classes Due to Shooting Threat

(U) The Martinez Unified School District is canceling classes today at Martinez Junior High School in response to graffiti threatening a shooting at the campus. The message was written on a bathroom wall and specified that a shooting would take place at the junior high, according to Superintendent of Schools CJ Cammack. Graffiti threatening a shooting also was found yesterday at James Logan High School in Union City, prompting a brief lockdown. Police determined the threat was not credible and classes will be held Friday.

SOURCE: 15 March 2018, [Mercury News](#)

(U) SOUTHWEST BORDER

(U) California – \$4.5 Million in Drugs Seized at Border Crossing

(U) San Diego – Federal officers seized more than \$4.5 million in drugs at border crossings in San Diego and Imperial counties over the weekend, officials said. Between Friday and Sunday, Customs and Border Protection officers seized 465 pounds of methamphetamine, 85 pounds of cocaine, 45 pounds of heroin and 240 pounds of marijuana. The drugs were found hidden in vehicles in places like seats, gas tanks, spare tires, doors and floors. Federal officials didn't say where specifically the seizures happened. Authorities also captured 20 fugitives wanted on felony warrants.

SOURCE: 14 March 2018, [Reuters](#)

(U) NATIONAL

(U) District of Columbia – Package with Fentanyl-Type Substance Sent to Department of Corrections

(U) Washington – DC fire officials say 16 Department of Corrections employees were evaluated yesterday morning after potentially being exposed to fentanyl contained in a package received in the department's mailroom. Of those employees who reported symptoms, officials say seven were transported to Washington Hospital Center to be evaluated as a precaution. Department of Corrections officials said the suspicious package was received yesterday morning. DC fire crews were called after employees started reported having symptoms consistent with exposure to fentanyl. Those symptoms

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can include dizziness, drowsiness, and difficulty breathing. The substance will be sent in for further testing before a final determination is made. No specific details were given about the package.

SOURCE: 15 March 2018, [FOX 5](#)

(U) District of Columbia – US Sanctions Russians for Election Meddling and Cyber Attacks

(U) Washington – The United States slapped sanctions on Russian individuals and entities for US election meddling and cyber-attacks. With the United States under pressure to act, the steps announced by the US Treasury Department represented the most significant taken against Moscow since Trump assumed office in January 2017. Along with imposing sanctions on 19 individuals and five entities including Russian intelligence services, the Trump administration publicly blamed Moscow for the first time for a campaign of cyber-attacks stretching back at least two years that targeted the US power grid including nuclear facilities.

SOURCE: 15 March 2018, [Reuters](#)

(U) Florida – At Least Four Dead in Pedestrian Bridge Collapse

(U) Miami – At least four people died yesterday when a pedestrian bridge collapsed near Florida International University, Miami-Dade County Fire Chief Dave Downey said. At least eight cars were crushed under the bridge and at least nine people were transported to hospitals for treatment, authorities said. Florida Gov. Rick Scott said the state would do its best to determine if any wrongdoing led to the collapse and, if so, that people would be held accountable. The bridge's span was just installed Saturday, an effort to boost safety on a busy street where an FIU student was fatally struck by a vehicle last year. It is unclear why the bridge, which was still under construction, collapsed onto a busy state highway.

SOURCE: 16 March 2018, [CNN](#)

(U) INTERNATIONAL**(U) England – Iraqi Teenager Guilty of Carrying Out Train Bombing**

(U) London – An Iraqi teenager, who had come to Britain as an asylum seeker, was found guilty today of attempted murder after detonating a homemade bomb on a packed rush-hour London commuter train, injuring 30 people, prosecutors and police said. Ahmed Hassan, 18, was found guilty of trying to murder the passengers on board an underground train heading to central London on 15 September last year, prosecutors said. The bomb went off at Parsons Green station and flames engulfed the carriage, but it did not fully explode, limiting the scale of injuries in what authorities said was Britain's fifth major attack of 2017.

SOURCE: 16 March 2018, [Reuters](#)

(U) Mexico – Authorities Arrest 18 in Kidnapping and Killing of Two Federal Agents

(U) Jalisco – Mexican authorities arrested 18 people yesterday in the abduction of two prosecution agents forced to appear on a video by a drug gang before they were slain, the attorney general's office said. Those arrested included members of the local police force in Puerto Vallarta who allegedly provided protection and intelligence for the unidentified drug cartel as well as Colombian citizens.

SOURCE: 15 March 2018, [Los Angeles Times](#)

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